for by this ring the Doctor lay with me.

Nerrissa. And pardon me my gentle *Gratiano*,
for that same scrubbed boy the Doctors Clarke
in liew of this, last night did lie with me.

Grati. Why this is like the mending of high wayes
in Sommer where the wayes are faire enough:
What, are we cuckolds ere we haue deseru'd it.

Por. Speake not so grosly, you are all amaz'd;
Heere is a letter, reade it at your leasure,
It comes from Padua from *Bellario*,
there you shall finde that *Portia* was the Doctor,
Nerrissa there her Clarke. *Lorenzo* heere
shall witnes I set foorth as soone as you,
and euen but now returnd: *I* haue not yet
enterd my house. *Anthonio* you are welcome,
and I haue better newes in store for you
than you exspect: vnseale this letter soone,
there you shall finde three of your Argosies
are richly come to harbour suddainly.
You shall not know by what strange accident
I chaunced on this letter.

Antho. *I* am dumb?

Bass. Were you the Doctor, and *I* knew you not?

Gra. Were you the Clark that is to make me cuckold.

Ner. *I* but the Clarke that neuer meanes to doe it,
vnlesse he liue vntill he be a man.

Bass. (Sweet Doctor) you shall be my bedfellow,
vvhen *I* am absent then lie with my wife.

An. (Sweet Lady) you haue giuen me life and lyuing;
for heere *I* reade for certaine that my ships
are safely come to Rode.

Por. How now *Lorenzo*?
my Clarke hath some good comforts to for you.

Ner *I*, and ile giue them him without a fee.
There doe *I* giue to you and *Iessica*
from the rich *Iewe*, a speciall deede of gift
after his death, of all he dies possest of.

Loren.

Loren. Faire Ladies, you drop
of starued people.

Por. It is almost morning,
and yet I am sure you are not satis
of these euents at full. Let vs goe
and charge vs there vpon intergo
and we will aunswer all things fai

Gra. Let it be so, the first inter
that my *Nerrissa* shall be sworne
vvhether till the next night she ha
or goe to bed now being two ho
But were the day come, *I* should
till *I* were couching with the Do
Well, while *I* liue, ile feare no oth
so sore, as keeping safe *Nerrissas*

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